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SUBJECT: MFA DENIES AMBASSADORIAL SHUFFLE

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1. WE HAVE OBTAINED FROM A WELL PLACED MFA OFFICIAL A CATEGORICAL DENIAL OF THAT PORTION OF THE REFERENCED STORY REGARDING AMBASSADORS ANAN PANYARACHUN, KONTHI SUPHAMONGKHON, AND SOMPONG SUTCHARITKUN.
2. IN DISCUSSING THE STORY FURTHER, THE MFA OFFICIAL SAID THAT THE LATTER PART OF THE STORY MADE MORE SENSE, IMPLYING THAT SISAWAT PANKASIN PROBABLY WOULD BE GOING TO WELLINGTON. HE ALSO SAID THAT MANATPHAT CHUTO'S ASSIGNMENT TO HONG KONG, WHICH WE DID NOT MENTION IN REF B BECAUSE WE HAD REPORTED IT PREVIOUSLY, REMAINS UNOFFICIAL BUT AN OPEN SECRET.
3. MFA WILL BE RESHUFFLING SEVERAL AMBASSADORS IN THE NEAR FUTURE. THE POSTS IN MOSCOW, WELLINGTON, LAGOS, AND THE CONSULATE GENERAL IN KENG TUNG, BURMA, WILL BE COMING VACANT ON OCTOBER 1 THROUGH RETIREMENTS, AND THE THAI AMBASSADOR TO ROME WILL BE RETURNING TO THE

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